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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO USINT CAIRO

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E.O.: 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, BMEP, EG

SUBJ: TENDER BY U.S. INTEREST FOR REFURBISHMENT CAIRO AIRPORT

1. EMBASSY VISITED TODAY BY MILTON BERZIN, DIRECTOR SOCIETE MATERIELS AND CONSTRUCTIONS, ASKING IF AMEMBASSY CAIRO COULD SUPPORT TENDER WITH EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES BY TRADE AND FINANCE COMPANY FOR MAJOR PROJECT FOR EXTENSION AND REFURBISHMENT CAIRO AIRPORT. BERZIN U.S. CITIZEN KNOWN TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO OFFICERS AND PREDOMINANT OWNER SOCIETE MATERIELS AND CONSTRUCTIONS, WHICH WOULD BE SUPPLIER OF ALL AIRPORT ENGINEERING AND EQUIPMENT PACKAGE FOR TRADE AND FINANCE COMPANY. BERZIN CLAIMS APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF OF EQUIPMENT WOULD BE AMERICAN.

2. BERZIN ALSO CLAIMS ONLY OTHER BIDDER NOW IN RUNNING, AND IN SECOND PLACE, IS BRITISH FIRM PLESSEY, BUT TRADE AND FINANCE COMPANY BID REPORTEDLY LOWEST AND MOST ATTRACTIVE TECHNICALLY TO EGYPTIANS.

3. ACCORDING BERZIN UNLESS BID AWARD MADE BY DECEMBER 31, TENDER PROCESS WILL HAVE TO BE REINITIATED PERHAPS TO DISADVANTAGE U.S. INTEREST.

4. BERZIN WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO EMBASSY AND  
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WE RECOMMEND ALL POSSIBLE SUPPORT HIS CASE.

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